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EXAMINING GROUP 3745**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 15, 2002 (Paper No. 10). A Petition for Extension of Time (one month, to and including March 17, 2003 (March 15 being a Saturday)) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) is being filed herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 are pending in the application. By previous response, claims 6 through 36 have been withdrawn from consideration in response to a restriction requirement.

Examiner's Response to Amendment

With respect to arguments set forth in Applicants' Amendment filed August 19, 2002, the Examiner contends that knowledge of the magnitude of the supply pressure (the

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